**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT PATNA**
**Civil Writ Jurisdiction Case No.14523 of 2005**

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M/S Durga Trading

.... .... Petitioner/s

Versus

The Bihar State Electricity Board & Ors.

.... .... Respondent/s

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with

**Civil Writ Jurisdiction Case No.14524 of 2005**

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Ashok Kumar Singh

.... .... Petitioner/s

Versus

The Bihar State Electricity Board & Ors

.... .... Respondent/s

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with

**Civil Writ Jurisdiction Case No.14526 of 2005**

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Sujit Kumar Singh

.... .... Petitioner/s

Versus

The Bihar State Electricity Board & Ors.

.... .... Respondent/s

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**CORAM: HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE RAMESH KUMAR DATTA**

ORAL ORDER

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4 19-03-2013 Learned counsel for the petitioner is permitted to add the State of Bihar through the Secretary, Energy Department as also Bihar State Hydroelectric Power Corporation through its Managing Director as party respondent Nos. 6 & 7 to all the writ petitions in the course of the day.

The petitioners in all the cases have approached this Court for payment of the liabilities owed by the respondent Bihar State Electricity Board with respect to certain contracts and work orders including hiring of jeep entered into between the respondent Board and the petitioners in relation to Koshi Hydel Power Project, Birpur for the period from 1.4.2002 to 31.7.2002.

The stand of the respondent Electricity Board is that the

Koshi Hydel Power Project was transferred to the Bihar State Hydroelectric Power Corporation on 16.11.2003 pursuant to the Government Notification dated 21.6.2003 and from 16.11.2003 all assets and liabilities of the Project have been transferred to the Corporation but the Electrical Chief Engineer, Bihar State Hydroelectric Power Corporation by letter dated 28.3.2006 has refused to pay the dues of the Hydel Project. Pursuant to the same the Board has written several letters to the Secretary, Energy Department, Government of Bihar for guidelines in that regard.

Issue notice to the newly added respondent No.7 in all the cases. Requisites both under ordinary process and registered cover with A/D must be filed within one week, failing which the writ applications shall stand rejected without further reference to a Bench.

Learned counsel for the petitioners is directed to serve copies of the entire briefs upon the Advocate General, Bihar by 21.3.2013.

Put up on 6th May, 2013, by which date the counter affidavits must be filed on behalf of both the newly added respondents.

**(Ramesh Kumar Datta, J)**

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